



Joint Faculties of Humanities and Theology

RHID85, Alevi and Alevism: Religious Studies Perspectives on a Minority Religion, 7.5 credits

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högskolepoäng
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Establishment

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2023-06-14 (U 2023/515). The syllabus comes into effect 2023-09-01 and is valid from the spring semester 2024.

General information

The course is offered as a freestanding course. It can be included in a general qualification for both first and second-cycle studies.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of study *Specialisation*

- G1F, First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course, the students shall be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

- describe the complexity of the history, faith and practice of Alevism,
- explain the emergence of Alevism as minority religion,

Competence and skills

- critically discuss the importance of central emic and etic concepts in the study of Alevism,

- illustrate how historical, contemporary social, political and legal and gender-related orders shape the framework of lived Alevi identity,

Judgement and approach

- assess the explanatory value of various religious studies perspectives to understand diversity and processes of change in Alevism and in the Alevi minority.

Course content

The course gives an introduction to the complex history, teachings and practices of Alevism and the diversity of Alevi groups that live in Turkey and in Europe. In the course, Alevism is studied and analysed as one (or several) minority religion (s) from different religious scientific perspectives and shows how different theoretical perspectives and examination methods result in different types of knowledge and conceptions of Alevism.

Course design

The course is offered as a distance learning course and makes use of an online learning platform and/or digital tools. Students are required to participate on this basis and to have access to a computer with an internet connection. The department will provide information about the technical requirements.

All teaching is conducted online in the form of recorded films, live lectures, seminars and question and answer sessions. Attendance at an online seminar is compulsory.. Students can make up for absence through written assignments in accordance with the lecturer's instructions.

Assessment

The course is examined through three written assignments during the course.

The examiner, in consultation with Disability Support Services, may deviate from the regular form of examination in order to provide a permanently disabled student with a form of examination equivalent to that of a student without a disability.

Grades

Grading scale includes the grades: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction

To pass, all three written assignments must be passed. To pass with distinction, two of three written assignments must receive the grade of Pass with distinction.

Entry requirements

To be admitted to the course, students must have successfully completed 30 credits in humanities, theology or social studies.

Further information

- The course is offered at the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies at Lund University.

- Swedish title: Alevis and Alevism: Religious studies perspectives on a minority religion.
- The credits allocated for course content that is shared in whole or in part with another course can only be credited once for a degree.
- For further details, see current registration and information materials.